

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION III

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# <u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

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Shannon S. Callahan, Esq. Rohm and Haas Company 100 Independence Mall West Philadelphia, PA 19106-2399

Re: Required Submission of Information

Metro Container Site, Trainer, Pennsylvania

Dear Ms. Callahan:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has reviewed your November 1, 2012 response to its October 9, 2012 Information Request issued in connection with the Metro Container Site and finds it to be deficient. You are required hereby to provide the following information:

- 1. Respond to Question 5(c), (d), (e), (f), and (g) in Enclosure E of EPA's October 9, 2012 information request in accordance with the Instructions provided in Enclosure D thereof including, but not limited to, Instruction Nos. 2 and 3.
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All documents and information should be sent to:

Kenneth I. Rose, III, Financial Analyst (3HS62) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

EPA reserves all rights including, without limitation, the right to seek penalties for any and all failures to timely respond to any requests for information issued under Section 104(e) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e).

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kenneth I. Rose III at (215) 814-3147, or have your attorney contact Senior Assistant Regional Counsel Andrew Goldman at (215) 814-2487.

Sincerely,

Joanne Marinelli, Chief Cost Recovery Branch

Hazardous Site Cleanup Division

Enclosures: A. Business Confidentiality Claims/Disclosure of Your Response to EPA Contractors and Grantees

- B. List of Contractors that May Review Your Response
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- 4. Should you find at any time after submission of your response that any portion of the submitted information is false, misrepresents the truth or is incomplete, you must notify EPA of this fact and provide EPA with a corrected written response.
- 5. Any terms that are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures that are defined in CERCLA shall have the meaning set forth in CERCLA. Definitions of several such terms are set forth in Enclosure C, *Definitions*, for your convenience. Also, several additional terms not defined in CERCLA are defined in Enclosure C. Those terms shall have the meaning set forth in Enclosure C any time such terms are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures.

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- 3. Precede each response with the number of the question or subpart of the question to which it corresponds. For each document or group of documents produced in response to this Information Request, indicate the number of the specific question or subpart of the question to which the document(s) responds.
- 4. Should you find at any time after submission of your response that any portion of the submitted information is false, misrepresents the truth or is incomplete, you must notify EPA of this fact and provide EPA with a corrected written response.
- 5. Any terms that are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures that are defined in CERCLA shall have the meaning set forth in CERCLA. Definitions of several such terms are set forth in Enclosure C, *Definitions*, for your convenience. Also, several additional terms not defined in CERCLA are defined in Enclosure C. Those terms shall have the meaning set forth in Enclosure C any time such terms are used in this Information Request and/or its Enclosures.

# Enclosure E

# **Information Required**

Information in EPA's files indicates that drums/barrels were taken from Rohm & Haas facilities to the Metro Container Corporation Sitelocated at or near 2<sup>nd</sup> and Price Streets in Trainer, Pennsylvania by Sukonik Barrel and Drum Company ("Sukonik") and Tunnel Barrel and Drum Company ("Tunnel"); and that such drums/barrels had previously contained, among other things, "pesticides," "paints," "lacquers," "varnishes," "gums," "resins," and "plastic solvents."

- 1. Please identify, and provide a copy of, each contract and agreement between Rohm & Haas and Sukonik relating to the transportation of drums/barrels to or from any Rohm & Haas facility.
- 2. Provide a copy of all correspondence between Rohm & Haas and Sukonik which refers or relates to the transportation by Sukonik of drums/barrels to or from any Rohm & Haas facility.
- 3. Please identify, and provide a copy of, each contract and agreement between Rohm & Haas and Tunnel relating to the transportation of drums/barrelso or from any Rohm & Haas facility.
- 4. Provide a copy of all correspondence between Rohm & Haas and Tunnel which refers or relates to the transportation by Tunnel of drums/barrels to or from any Rohm & Haas facility.
- 5. For each Rohm & Haas facility that Tunnel and/or Sukonik transported drums/barrels to or from, identify.
  - a) the address of the facility; and
  - b) the products/materials produced at such facilitybetween 1980-1988;
  - c) the processes used between 1980 1988 to produce the products/materials produced at such facility;
  - d) the raw materials used in the such processes;
  - e) all wastes and by-products generated between 1980 1988 from such processes;

- f) all chemicals/constituents that would have been present in drums/barrels present at any time between 1980-1988 at the facility; and,
- g) the chemicals/constituents contained in the drumsbarrels transported to or from the facility by Tunnel and/or Sukonik.
- 6. For each raw material and waste/by-product identified in response to Question 5:
  - a) identify the chemical composition.
  - b) provide a copy of all documents which refer or relate to the composition of such raw material and waste/by-product including, but not limited to, chemical analyses performed on such raw materials and wastes/by products; and
  - c) identify how each waste/by-product was disposed of between 1980 and 1988.

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